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GUN BATTLE ON CAPITOL HILL: During recent Congressional hearings on small arms legislation, a gun industry cold war came to the surface. Lines are now drawn between manufacturers, like Remington and Ruger, and importers, notably the giant Interarmco, an American-based, world-wide firm dealing almost entirely in the sale of surplus World War II weapons from abroad. Both factions oppose restrictions on arms sales, but manufacturers are openly delighted with provisions of the bills under consideration that would curb imports, ostensibly as a crime-control measure. Importers argue that "no one ever held up a bank with a 20-year-old Enfield" and claim the manufacturers' real motive is to stifle competition. "The manufacturers sell almost nothing under \$100," says Interarmco's Thomas Nelson, "while we offer a wide choice of serviceable weapons in a lower price range." Reverberations sent out by the hassle affect sporting-goods retailers, mail-order merchandisers like Sears and Montgomery Ward, banks and finance companies, and may cause small arms restriction measures to be shelved indefinitely.